

COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE NETWORK

Children, Family & Futures

BEAR VALLEY COMMUNITY NETWORK

MINUTES

March 8, 2004

Parks and Recreation Community Room
41220 Park Avenue
Big Bear Lake, CA

In Attendance:

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1. Welcome and Introductions

Everyone was welcomed and self-introductions were made.

2. Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Brian Thomson, CWSM was postponed to a future meeting.

3. Approval of February Minutes

Susan asked that those in attendance review their report in the minutes and let Tammy know if corrections are needed. No corrections noted, so the minutes will be filed as submitted.

4. Guest Speaker: Brian Thomson, CWSM – Child Welfare Services Redesign – Part II Postponed.

5. Handouts and Round Table Discussion

Susan Melanson of Children's Network:

- Please check your MOU entry and make sure it is correct, as the final version for 2004 will be distributed next month.

- If members join in the year after the final MOU is distributed, their addition will be provided as a separate page to the MOU so members can staple it to their current version.
- Susan led the discussion about changing the meeting date to the third Monday of the month for this group. Children's Network and First 5 staff currently host the High Desert Partnership for Kids in Victorville on the same morning as these meetings. In an effort to give their best to both groups, a request is made to move this meeting to the third week. After some discussion, it was agreed upon to move this meeting to the third Monday of the month, provided that day works for Mary Jaquish. Susan thanked the group for their flexibility.

Sue Taylor of Children's Network:

- April is Child Abuse Awareness Month.
- Materials were made available for everyone present.
- Sue mentioned titles of some new materials that are available this year.
- Please let Sue know where you take the materials for the master event calendar she is maintaining.
- March 31st is the 6th Annual Shine a Light on Child Abuse Prevention Month Awards Breakfast at the Ontario Double Tree from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.
- If you are interested in small quantities of materials, you may come to the office and shop for what you want/need or we can send them to you.
- If you need large quantities of materials, please arrange to pick them up at the warehouse.
- Tanya Perry mentioned she would like 100 parenting tips and some Noodle Soup brochures.
- Children's Fund 12th Annual Rubber Duck Race is on April 17th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Pharaohs Lost Kingdom
- Children's Fund needs volunteers; if interested please call (909) 387-4949, kids 14 and older may receive credit for community service for working on race day.

Eileen Hofer of Lutheran Social Services Family Resource Center:

- 3rd Respite – Inland Caregivers Conference is coming up.
- They will provide education for caregivers, bed, bath, food, etc. at the Inland Caregivers Conference.
- There will be a Walkathon on June 5th at 10 a.m.
- **Eileen stated she would pass on press releases about Child Abuse Prevention Month to the media in the mountains, once Sue Taylor shares it with her.**

Elaine Holzer-Tennity of the Hummingbird Project:

- Vintage Hat by Pamela Heiman fundraiser for scholarship program on Saturday, May 15th at noon at the Nottingham's at Robin Hood Inn.
- The Vintage Hat is a good fundraiser as it usually yields \$1,000
- Elaine mentioned Hummingbird Project got computers from Southwest Gas, an attached newspaper article in the packets explains more.
- Susan Melanson suggested Elaine should contact the (Jobs Employment Services Division) JESD to help her set up a program for G.E.D., and dress for success program, that provides information and resource referral.

Len Soper with Kiwanis:

- Len helped produce a video called “Every 15 Minutes” which cautions teenagers about the risks of driving while drunk.
- The video shows photographs of the skid marks and shrine that is the result of driving under the influence
- The video is 30 minutes long
- **Len Soper agreed to share his video with other organizations working with youth in the mountains.**

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- The Fire Safe Council got money to use for educational materials.
- They will buy materials for kids and adults about fire prevention and safety
- Please contact Elaine to receive these materials

Len Soper with Kiwanis:

- Gave an overview of gun safety program called Eddie Eagle
- Please pass the word and help prevent accidents
- Eddie Eagle has a 7 minute video cartoon of the dangers of guns

Connie Allen of DOVES:

- They offer parenting classes and co-dependent classes
- Offered in English and Spanish, flyers available next week
- Call for class information: (909) 866-1546

6. Next Meeting Date: April 19, 2004
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Respectfully Submitted

Tammy Williams, Children’s Network
Bear Valley Community Network Recording Secretary

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